

The government should have no right to force regulation on satellite radio. The service is provided by a private company whose services are wanted and paid for by private citizens. Just as pay cable has no regulation as to content, Satellite radio should be afforded the same consideration. Satellite radio cannot be listened to by anyone without having bought and paid for hardware and an account with one of the 2 satellite radio services. It is not on public airwaves. Regulation would be similar to the government advising an art gallery they can only display "approved" art for their customers. The customer base is growing, people want this programming and are tired of the existing radio networks. If the FCC approved the NAB's petition 04-160, it would affirm two things, the first would be that satellite radio is a wonderful idea that changed the face of a 60+ year old medium, terrifying the NAB. The second is that with enough money and political influence, the NAB can get what they want. The FCC, I believe, should not force any regulation on controlling this medium. Please reject Petition 04-160.